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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method ~~in a telecommunications system where a sending entity may send units to a first receiving entity, the method comprising the steps of:~~

sending a unit to ~~the~~ a first receiving entity in a telecommunications system; and  
receiving no response from said first receiving entity; and  
in the event that no response is received from the first receiving entity, resending said unit with an indication of indicating a possible duplication, the possible duplication showing indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ also indicating ~~the~~ a sending entity when indicating said possible duplication.

Claim 3 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the possible duplicate is indicated in the unit when resending said unit to the second receiving entity.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 3, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

noticing that the first receiving entity is operating;  
checking whether the first receiving entity received said unit; and  
sending a release message to the second receiving entity when said unit was not received in the first receiving entity; or

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sending a cancel message to the second receiving entity when said unit was received in the first receiving entity.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 3, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

noticing that the first receiving entity is operating;

checking whether the first receiving entity received said unit by resending said unit;

and

sending a release message or a cancel message to the second receiving entity when said unit was not received in the first receiving entity; or

sending a cancel message to the second receiving entity when said unit was received in the first receiving entity.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 4, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

receiving said unit in the second receiving entity;

storing said unit in response to said indication; and

sending said unit in response to said release message from the second receiving entity ~~towards its destiny;~~ or

deleting said unit in response to said cancel message.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

receiving said unit in ~~its end-system~~ the second receiving entity;

checking only in response to said indication whether the unit is a duplicate.

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Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ indicating the possible duplication by adding said indication to the unit before resending it ~~the~~ unit.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A method in a telecommunications system where a sending entity may send units to a first receiving entity, the method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

sending a unit to ~~the~~ a first receiving entity;

~~receiving no response from said first receiving entity;~~

in the event that no response is received from the first receiving entity, indicating a possible duplication of said unit when resending it said unit, the possible duplication showing that said unit was resent because no response was received indicating a reason for the resending;

receiving said unit in ~~its end system~~ said first receiving entity; and

checking comparing sequence numbers of received units in order to find out whether the unit is a duplicate only in response to said indication whether the unit is a duplicate indicated reason being that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A method ~~in a telecommunications system where a sending entity may send units to a first and a second receiving entity, the method comprising the steps of:~~

sending a unit to ~~the~~ a first receiving entity in a telecommunications system;

~~receiving no response from said first receiving entity;~~

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in the event that no response is received from the first receiving entity, resending said unit to a second receiving entity;

indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received ~~a possible duplication of said unit~~ when resending it said unit to the second receiving entity, ~~the by marking the resent unit as a possible duplication showing that said unit was resent because no response was received;~~

~~storing, in the second receiving entity, said unit in response to said indication;~~

noticing that the first receiving entity is operating;

checking whether the first receiving entity received said unit;

sending a release message to the second receiving entity when said unit was not received in the first receiving entity; and

~~sending said unit in response to said release message from the second receiving entity towards its destiny; or~~

sending a cancel message to the second receiving entity when said unit was received in the first receiving entity; ~~and~~

~~deleting said unit in response to said cancel message.~~

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A transmission system comprising:

at least one receiving entity, and

a sending entity being ~~arranged~~ configured, in the event that no response is received from the at least one receiving entity, when not receiving a response from a first receiving entity to which it sent a unit, to indicate resending said unit with an indication of a possible

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duplication of said unit ~~when resending it~~, the possible duplication ~~showing~~ indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 11, wherein said sending entity is further ~~arranged~~ configured to indicate also the sending entity when indicating said possible duplication.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 11 wherein the sending entity is ~~arranged~~ configured to indicate said possible duplication when resending said unit to a second receiving entity.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 13 wherein the receiving entity is ~~arranged~~ configured to check from a received unit whether it includes said indication and in response to said indication to wait for instructions on how to handle said unit.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 11 wherein the receiving entity is ~~arranged~~ configured to check from a received unit whether ~~it~~ the unit includes said indication and in response to said indication to wait for instructions on how to handle said unit.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 11, further comprising an end system which is ~~arranged~~ configured to check from a received unit whether it includes said indication and only in response to said indication to check whether said unit is a duplicate.

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Claim 17 (Currently Amended): A network node ~~which is adapted to be a sending entity in a network, the network node being arranged to send an unit to a first receiving entity and when~~ comprising:

a processor configured, in response to the network node not receiving a response from ~~the a first entity to which it~~ the network node has sent a unit, to resend said unit with an indication of ~~to indicate that said unit is~~ a possible duplication ~~when resending said unit,~~ the possible duplication ~~showing~~ indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The network node of claim 17, wherein the processor is ~~being further arranged~~ configured to indicate the sending entity when indicating said possible duplication.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The network node of claim 17, wherein the processor is ~~being further arranged~~ configured to indicate said possible duplication when resending said unit to another entity.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The network node of claim 19 ~~being further arranged~~ comprising a memory containing to have a priority list of entities to which ~~it~~ the network node may send units and wherein the processor is further configured to ~~send~~ resend the unit to the entity having the next lowest priority.

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Claim 21 (Currently Amended): A network node ~~which is adapted to be a part of an end system in a network, the network node being~~ comprising:

a processor configured ~~arranged~~ to check whether ~~the~~ a unit is a duplicate only in response to receiving a unit having an indication ~~indicating~~ of a possible duplication of said unit, the possible duplication ~~showing~~ indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A network node ~~which is adapted to be an intermediate node in a network, wherein the network node is arranged~~ comprising:

a processor configured to check ~~when~~ in response to receiving a unit whether ~~it is indicated to be~~ said unit has an indication of a possible duplication ~~of said unit~~, the possible duplication ~~showing~~ indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received, and, in response to said indication, to wait for instructions on how to handle said unit.

Claim 23 (New): A method comprising:

sending a unit to a first receiving entity;

in the event that no response is received from the first receiving entity, resending the unit;

wherein the resending of the unit differs from the sending of the unit in that a sending entity specifically indicates a possible duplication of said unit when resending the unit, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

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Claim 24 (New): The method of claim 23 wherein the possible duplicate is indicated in the unit when resending said unit to a second receiving entity.

Claim 25 (New): The method of claim 24, further comprising:

noticing that the first receiving entity is operating;  
checking whether the first receiving entity received said unit; and  
sending a release message to the second receiving entity when said unit was not received in the first receiving entity; or  
sending a cancel message to the second receiving entity when said unit was received in the first receiving entity.

Claim 26 (New): A network node comprising:

a sending means for sending a unit to a first receiving entity, and  
a resending means, responsive to the network node not receiving from the first entity a response to the sent unit, for resending said unit and indicating a possible duplication, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received,  
wherein the resending means differ from the sending means in that the resending means are configured to specifically indicate a possible duplication of said unit when the unit is resent.

Claim 27 (New): The network node of claim 26, wherein the resending means are further configured to indicate said possible duplication when resending said unit to another entity.



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Claim 28 (New): The network node of claim 27, the network node further comprising:

memory means for storing a priority list of entities to which the sending means and the resending means may send units, and the resending means are further configured to resend the unit to the entity having the next lowest priority.

Claim 29 (New): A network node comprising:

means for checking whether a unit is a duplicate only in response to the network node receiving a unit having a specific indication of a possible duplication of said unit, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

Claim 30 (New): A network node comprising:

means, responsive to the network node receiving a unit, for checking whether or not said unit has been specifically indicated as being a possible duplication, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received, and  
means, responsive to said unit being specifically indicated as a possible duplication, for waiting for instructions on how to handle said unit.

Claim 31 (New): A processor configured to resend a unit with an indication of a possible duplication in response to the processor not receiving a response to a previous sending of said unit, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.

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Claim 32 (New): A processor configured to detect a unit having an indication of a possible duplication, to check, in response to detecting the indication, whether the unit is a duplication, and not to perform the check if the indication is not detected.

Claim 33 (New): A processor configured to detect a unit having an indication of a possible duplication, and in response to detecting the indication to wait for instructions on how to handle said unit.

Claim 34 (New): A computer readable medium having computer-executable component comprising:

- sending a unit to a first receiving entity in a telecommunications system;
- in the event that no response is received from the first receiving entity, resending said unit with an indication of a possible duplication, the possible duplication indicating that said unit was resent because no response was received.